Economic Consequences of Political Persecution

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Introduction

- Effects of political persecution on economic outcomes in Czechoslovakia
- Effect of layoffs in politically controlled labor markets (earnings, pensions)
- Welfare consequences
- Compensation for political discrimination or oppression
- Transitional justice theory
- Life history in the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe

Outline

Literature

- Economic system and labor market
- Persecution in Czechoslovakia
- SHARELIFE data
- Analysis persecution as treatment
- Instrumental variables
- Robustness
- Implications
- Conclusions

Literature: Long-Run Effects of Traumatic Events

- Acemoglu et al. (2011): Holocaust in Russian cities
- Voth and Voigtlander (2012): Persistence of anti-Semitism
- Waldinger (2013): Human and physical capital destruction
- Smith et al. (2014): WWII hunger periods
- Ochsner (2019): Turkish siege of Vienna, Red Army in Austria
- Becker et al. (2018): Post-WWII population transfers in Poland
- Conzo and Salustri (2019): Long-run effects of WWII on trust

Literature: Politically Controlled Labor Market

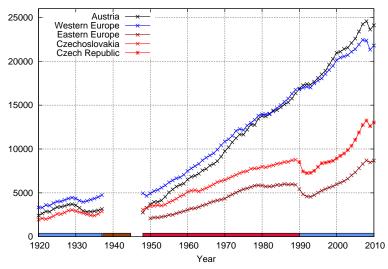
Departure from competitive labor markets (MPL)

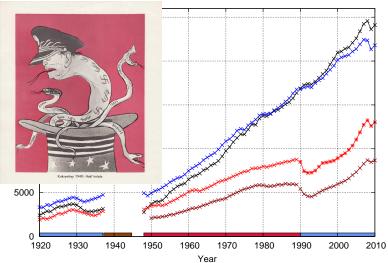
- Discrimination: wage gaps (race, gender) Heckman (1995), Neal and Johnson (1996), Carneiro et al. (2005)
- Statistical discrimination by employers Altonji and Pierret (2011)
- Job characteristics and preferences
- Positive wage premia (unions, party membership)
- Fully controlled labor market

Literature: Reparations and Transitional Justice

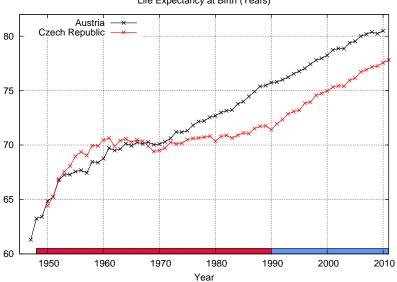
- Compensation for political oppression or discrimination
- Acemoglu and Robinson (2006)
- Development through justice theory Elster (2006), DeGreiff (2006), Olsen et al. (2011)
- Stability theory Forget and forgive

Real GDP per capita (1990 Intl. USD)





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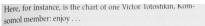
Life Expectancy at Birth (Years)

Czechoslovakia 1948-1989

- Communist totalitarian system
- Centrally planned economy
- Complete nationalization of property
- Periods: Stalinism, post-Stalinism, Prague Spring, Soviet occupation

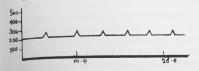
Labor market Right to work = obligation to work Full control: Education, occupation, job, wage Over-employment, labor hoarding, low productivity

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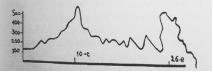




And this is Alexei Blindyaev, Communist Party member since 1936, and shagged-out old creep:



And behold – your humble servant, ex-brigade leader of the OTC cable layers, and author of the poem *Moscow Stations*:



Drinks:

- The Tear of a Komsomol Girl Lavender water Verbena
 Forest Water eau-de-Cologne Nail varnish Mouthwash Lemonade
- Dog's Giblets Zhiguli beer Sadko the Wealthy Guest shampoo Anti-dandruff solution Superglue Brake fluid Insecticide

Czechoslovakia 1948-1989

- Egalitarian system
- Guaranteed employment
- Female labor market participation
- Universal health care and education
- Low inequality

Persecution in Czechoslovakia 1948-1989

Population 1948	8,893,000
Arrests	205,000
Corrective Labor Camp	70,000
Penal Labor Camp	20,000
Military	60,000
Clergy	10,300
Deaths	
Executed	248
Prison	4,500
Border	300
Total estimate	15,000
Emigration	270,000
Job losses (70's and 80's)	280,000





- Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe
- Longitudinal, harmonized, multidisciplinary
- Panel respondents 50+ and partners
- Since 2006: 7 waves every two years
- Health and Retirement Study (US), ELSA, China, India, Japan etc.

SHARELIFE

- Life history: Wave 3 and 7
- Early childhood conditions
- Family history (partners, marriages, children)
- Labor market history (jobs, unemployment spells, disability, retirement)
- Health and health-care history
- Major life events (persecution)
- Czech Republic: 5,053 interviews (1,802 in Wave 3 and 3,251 in Wave 7)

SHARELIFE persecution module

Persecution

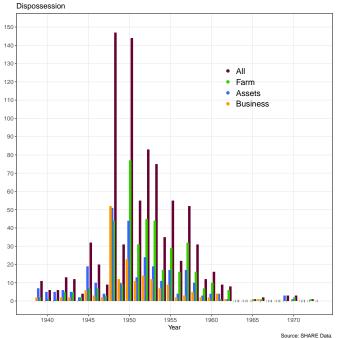
There are times in which people are persecuted or discriminated against, for example because of their political beliefs, religion, nationality, ethnicity, sexual orientation or their background. People may also be persecuted or discriminated against because of political beliefs or the religion of their close relatives. Have you ever been the victim of such persecution or discrimination?

SHARELIFE Persecution and Dispossession

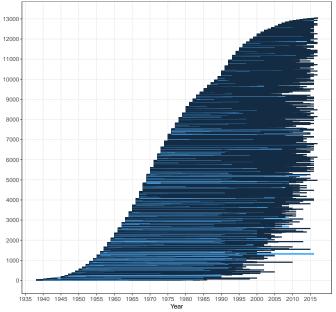
General persecution

- Dispossession (farm, business, assets; year)
- On the job persecution
 - Job loss

 On-the-job discrimination Denied promotions Assignment to a task with fewer responsibilities Working on tasks below one's qualifications Harassment Pay cuts



Job Persecution Job spells. Persecuted = light color



Source: SHARE Data.

Treatments

- Persecuted (ever)
- Dispossessed (ever=before jobs)
- Job discrimination
- Job loss due to persecution
- Job laid off (other reason than persecution)
- Job displaced (plant closure or downsizing)

SHARELIFE Descriptive statistics

		Ever		Ever Job	Ever Job Loss		
	All	Pers.	Disp.	Discr.	Pers.	Laid Off	Displ.
Fraction	1.00	0.12	0.13	0.06	0.03	0.05	0.16
Year of birth	1944	1942***	1943*	1941**	1940*	1948***	1946***
Female	0.57	0.45**	0.54	0.29***	0.33*	0.54	0.66*
Educ. >13 yrs	0.18	0.33***	0.20	0.48***	0.67***	0.16	0.20
Birthpl. owner	0.61	0.61	0.76***	0.53	0.67	0.68	0.54

N=1,521. p-values: two-group mean comparison test treated vs. non-treated group

SHARELIFE Jobs

- 1,521 individuals who had at least one job before 1989
- 2,319 all jobs
- 1,228 second and consequent jobs
- Earnings: starting salary relative to official average in each year

Relative Net Earnings

	All jobs	All but first jobs
All	1.11	1.26
Male	1.35	1.58
Female	0.93	1.04
Education <9 years	1.03	1.08
Education 9-13 years	1.08	1.23
Education >13 years	1.21	1.41
White collar	1.14	1.29
Blue collar	1.05	1.16
Persecuted ever	1.06	1.16
Job after dispossession	0.98	1.05
Job after persecution loss		0.93
Job after discrimination		1.33
Job after laid off		1.24
Job after displaced		1.21
Ν	2,319	1,220

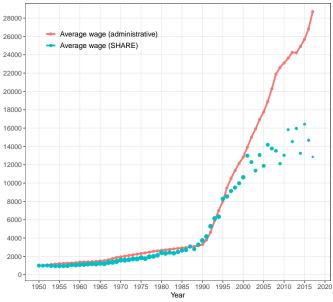
SHARELIFE Pensions

- 614 initial pension before 1994 and current pension in 2006
- Pensions: relative to official averages in each year

Relative Pensions

	Relative Pension		
		Current	
	Initial	in 2006	
All	1.11	0.96	
Male	1.18	1.06	
Female	1.07	0.91	
Education <9 years	1.09	0.90	
Education 9-13 years	1.11	0.94	
Education >13 years	1.10	1.04	
Persecuted ever	1.03	0.93	
Dispossessed ever	1.05	0.98	
Job loss persecution ever	0.82	1.03	
Job discrimination ever	1.00	1.00	
Job laid off ever	0.88	0.96	
Job displaced ever	0.94	0.94	

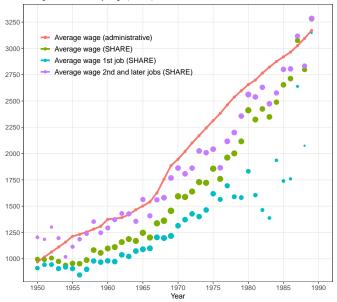
Wages in 1950–2017 Average nominal monthly wage (in CZK)



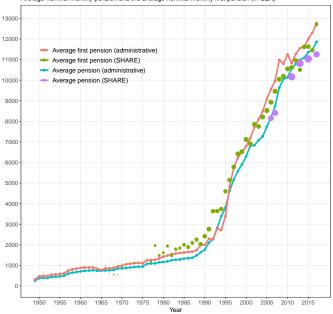
Source: SHARE Data, the Czech Statistical Office. Point size: log of the SHARE sample size.

Wages in 1950–1989

Average nominal monthly wage (in CZK)



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Pensions Average nominal monthly pension and the average nominal monthly first pension (in CZK)

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Treatment determinants (probit)

$$P(T_i = 1) = \Phi(\beta' X_i + \varepsilon_i)$$

$$T_i \in \{0, 1\} \text{ treatment} = 1 \text{ if } \begin{cases} \text{Persecuted ever} \\ \text{Dispossessed ever} \\ \text{Job loss persecution ever} \\ \text{Job discrimination ever} \\ \text{Job laid off ever} \\ \text{Job displaced ever} \end{cases}$$

X_i — individual characteristics before treatment (birth year, gender, education, birthplace, age-10 conditions)

Determinants (correlates) of treatment: Probit marginal effects

	Ever		Ever Job	Ever Job Loss		
	Persec. (1)	Disposs. (2)	Discr. (3)	Persec. (4)	Laid Off (5)	Displ. (6)
Year of birth	-0.003***	-0.002	-0.002***	-0.001**	0.004***	0.004***
	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.000)	(0.001)	(0.001)
Female	-0.043***	-0.006	-0.033***	-0.006	-0.008	0.033**
	(0.015)	(0.018)	(0.010)	(0.006)	(0.011)	(0.015)
Educ. >13 yrs	0.069***	0.075**	0.070***	0.036***	-0.009	0.012
	(0.026)	(0.032)	(0.022)	(0.012)	(0.021)	(0.025)
Birthpl. owner	0.010	0.094***	-0.003	0.005	0.006	-0.030*
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p* <0.1, *p* <0.05, ****p* <0.01.

Effects of fixed treatment on earnings

$$ln(rEarn_{it}) = \alpha T_i + \gamma' X_i + \delta' Z_{it} + \varepsilon_{it}$$

rEarn_{it} — relative starting earnings on a job at time t

$$T_i \in \{0, 1\}$$
 treatment = 1 if
 $\begin{cases} Persecuted ever \\ Dispossessed ever \end{cases}$

- X_i individual characteristics before treatment (birth year, gender, education, birthplace, age-10 conditions)
- Z_{it} job characteristics (job year, industry, full time, experience, job tenure, out-of-LM)

Effects of dynamic treatment on earnings in subsequent jobs

$$ln(rEarn_{it}) = \alpha T_{it} + \gamma' X_i + \delta' Z_{it} + \varepsilon_{it}$$

 $rEarn_{it}$ — relative starting earnings on a job at time t

 $T_{it} \in \{0,1\}$ treatment at time t = 1 if $\begin{cases} Job after persecution loss Job after discrimination Job after laid off Job after displaced \end{cases}$ at *s* < *t*

- X_i individual characteristics before treatment (birth year, gender, marriage, children, education, birthplace, age-10)
- Z_{it} job characteristics (job year, industry, full time, experience, job tenure, out-of-LM)

Treatment effect on earnings: OLS estimates

	(1)	(2)	(3)
Persecuted ever	-0.040		
	(0.044)		
Job after dispossession			-0.098**
			(0.046)
Job after persecution loss		-0.338***	-0.316***
		(0.086)	(0.084)
Job after discrimination		0.011	0.072
		(0.146)	(0.153)
Job after laid off		0.227	0.226
		(0.163)	(0.159)
Job after displaced		0.026	0.026
		(0.104)	(0.103)
Additional controls			
R ²	0.361	0.369	0.373

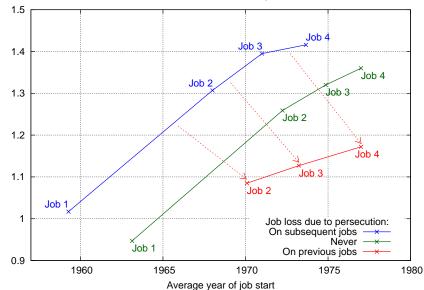
*p <0.1, **p <0.05, ***p <0.01. Childhood controls included.

Mechanism of career degradation

Predicted probability of switching from white to blue collar job

- Sample: 6.6%
- After being discriminated: 10.7%
- After being laid off: 16.2%
- After being displaced: 18.8%
- After job loss due to persecution: 23.9%





Relative Initial Earnings On a Job

Effect of each treatment on retirement pensions

$$ln(rPens_i) = \alpha T_i + \gamma' X_i + \delta' Z_i + v_i$$

rPens_i — relative pension (initial before 1994 or current in 2006)

	Persecuted ever Dispossessed ever	
$T_i \in \{0,1\}$ treatment = 1 if		
	Job loss persecution ever	
	Job discrimination ever	
	Job laid off ever	
	Job displaced ever	

- X_i individual characteristics before treatment (birth year, gender, marriage, children, education, birthplace, age-10)
- Z_i career characteristics (year of first pension, ever in industry, job title)

Treatment effect on pensions: OLS estimates

	Init	ial Pensio	n	Curre	nt Pension	in 2006
-	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Persecuted ever	-0.030			-0.003		
	(0.051)			(0.024)		
Dispossessed ever			-0.012			-0.011
			(0.045)			(0.021)
Job loss pers. ever		-0.402**	-0.405**		0.030	0.027
		(0.187)	(0.186)		(0.066)	(0.066)
Job discr. ever		0.032	0.036		-0.021	-0.016
		(0.049)	(0.051)		(0.036)	(0.037)
Job laid off ever		-0.169**	-0.170**		-0.005	-0.006
		(0.086)	(0.086)		(0.033)	(0.033)
Job displ. ever		-0.084*	-0.085*		-0.039*	-0.040*
		(0.048)	(0.048)		(0.023)	(0.023)
Female	-0.175***	-0.192***	-0.191***	-0.134***	-0.134***	-0.133***
	(0.052)	(0.051)	(0.052)	(0.024)	(0.024)	(0.024)
Born in country	-0.238***	-0.226***	-0.226***	-0.012***	-0.013***	-0.012***
-	(0.076)	(0.076)	(0.075)	(0.027)	(0.027)	(0.027)
R ²	0.173	0.207	0.207	0.386	0.390	0.391

p* <0.1, *p* <0.05, ****p* <0.01.

Instrumental Variables: Job Loss Due to Persecution

- Justification bias: declaration of treatment (persecution) to justify failures
- Selection into persecution
- Unobservable characteristics
- Instrumental variables
- > Year of job loss correlated with intensity of "aggregate" persecution:
 - Rehabilitation cases
 - Prosecution cases
 - New: secret service archives

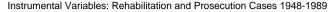
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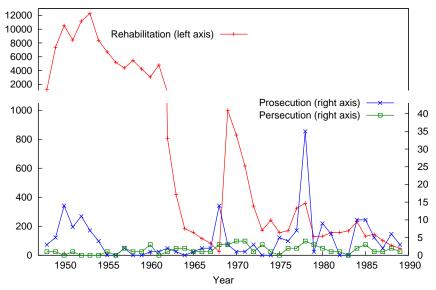
- The Act on Judicial Rehabilitation 119/1990
- Ex lege rehabilitation Acts 50/1923, 231/1948, 86/1950, 140/1961, and 150/1969
- Total rehabilitated cases: 195,672
- Political cases: 100,425 (total emigration)
- Economic cases: 46,404

Instrumental Variables: Prosecution

- Bureau for Investigation and Documentation of the Crimes of Communism (Act 283/1991)
- Number of prosecuted party leaders, secret police agents, border guards, and other officials for criminal acts, violations of human rights and other abuses during the communist regime between 1948 and 1989
- 189 cases of prosecution
- 89 prosecuted agents of the secret service (StB)
- Abuse of authority: 119, murder: 13, assault: 33

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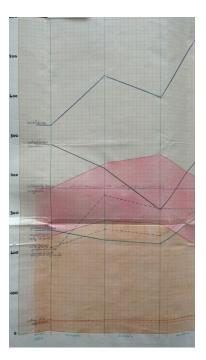




Archives of the Secret Services (StB)

- Archive of the Security Services of the Czech Republic (ABSCR)
- Case and agent files (partly destroyed in 1989)
- Department of Statistics and Evidence
- Aggregate data: agents and cases
- Activities: year, region, objectives
- Services: intelligence, counter-intelligence, military, domestic, foreign

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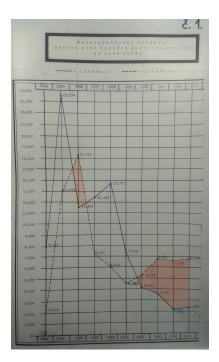
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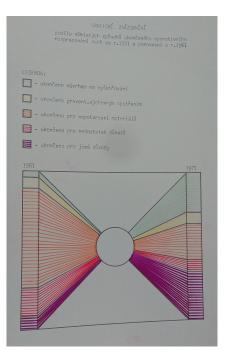
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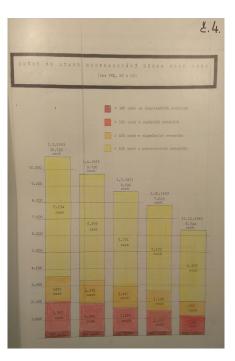
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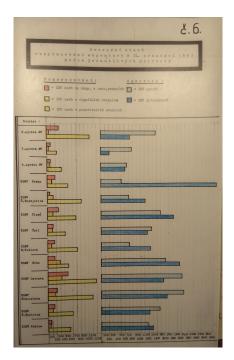


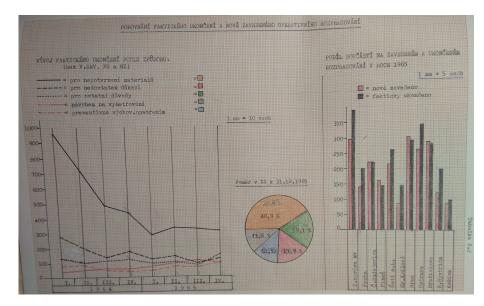


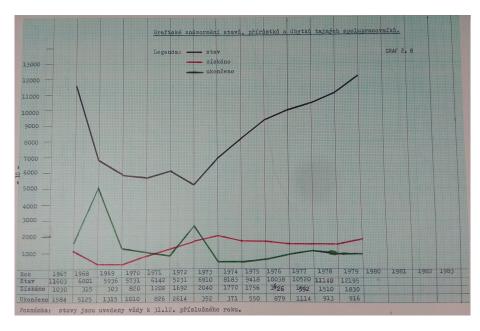
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Instrumental Variables: Earnings

Instrument	(1)	(2)
OLS	-0.338***	-0.316***
	(0.086)	(0.084)
Prosecution	-0.332***	-0.328***
	(0.113)	(0.110)
Rehabilitation		
Total	-0.354***	-0.346***
	(0.099)	(0.096)
Economic	-0.454***	-0.440***
	(0.109)	(0.106)
Political	-0.519***	-0.504***
	(0.119)	(0.116)
Controlling for Dispossession	No	Yes
*p <0.1, **p <0.05, ***p <0.01. Residence in big city: Prosecution -0.525***	(0.224)	

Residence in big city: Rehabilitation -0.556*** (0.224)

Instrumental Variables: Pensions

	Instrume	ent Based (On Year of	Ending
	First	Job	Last	Job
Instrument	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Initial Pension				
Prosecution	-0.432**	-0.437**	-0.304*	-0.319
	(0.181)	(0.185)	(0.160)	(0.163)
Rehabilitation	-0.462**	-0.472**	-0.281	-0.295
	(0.187)	(0.194)	(0.209)	(0.215)
Pension in 2006				
Prosecution	-0.041	-0.114	-0.024	-0.039
	(0.071)	(0.082)	(0.068)	(0.074)
Rehabilitation	-0.035	-0.057	-0.006	-0.033
	(0.075)	(0.077)	(0.068)	(0.074)
Controlling for Dispossession	No	Yes	No	Yes

*p <0.1, **p <0.05, ***p <0.01. OLS coefficient: Initial pension -0.405** (0.186)

OLS coefficient: Current pension 0.027 (0.066)

Robustness Tests

- Observed heterogeneity: OLS and matching models
- Unobserved heterogeneity: Altonji et al. (2005)
- Test for omitted variables Oster (2013)
- Placebo regressions and recall bias
- Sample selection \rightarrow lower bound

Robustness

- OLS, matching estimates, omitted variables Oster (2013)
- The role of unobservables (Altonji et al., 2005)
 - Equality of means of distributions of observable and unobservable characteristics (adjusted for their respective variances) that determine treatment
 - â/bias ratio of: 2.045 (ever persecuted) or 1.383 (job loss persecution) (normalized shift in distribution of unobservables would have to be *x* times as large as shift in observables to explain away effects of persecution estimated by OLS)
 - $\hat{\alpha}$ /bias ratio for pensions smaller but higher than 1 for job loss due to persecution

Additional analysis: Placebo Regression and Recall Bias

- No treatment effect in a placebo regression for first job earnings
- Recall bias: correlation with non-reporting
 - No correlation: ever persecuted, dispossessed, job loss due to persecution, and displacement
 - Negative correlation: laid off and earnings
 - Positive correlation: job discrimination and earnings, females
 - Negative correlation: time elapsed, age-10 conditions
 - No education bias

Other results

- Disappointing job career (3.2 odds)
- Disappointing job achievements (1.9 odds)
- Depression symptoms (1.5 odds)
- Period of financial hardship (1.2 odds)
- No health effects (of respondents)

Implications

- Compensation for political oppression or discrimination
- Reparations and transitional justice
- Development through justice theory Elster (2006), DeGreiff (2006), Olsen et al. (2011)
- Stability theory: Forget and forgive
- Reparations: WWII, natives, colonies, forced adoptions, sterilization
- Conflicts: Balkan, Israel, civil wars
- Importance: Non-democratic regimes 40% of world population

Conclusions

"In a country where the sole employer is the State, opposition means death by slow starvation. The old principle: who does not work shall not eat, has been replaced by a new one: *who does not obey shall not eat.*"

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Leon Trotsky (1937)

Conclusions: Past



Conclusions: Present



Conclusions: Future



Treatment effect on wages: single treatment in OLS and matching

		ver Dispossessed	Ever Job Discr.	Ever Job Loss Persecution Laid Off Displace				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		
Single Treatment Estir	nates, OLS							
Treatment	-0.089	-0.137***	-0.095	-0.265**	-0.049	0.023		
	(0.054)	(0.053)	(0.093)	(0.104)	(0.089)	(0.063)		
Female	-0.378***	-0.374***	-0.382***	-0.379***	-0.380***	-0.380***		
	(0.051)	(0.050)	(0.051)	(0.050)	(0.051)	(0.050)		
Education 10-13 years	s 0.098	0.091	0.103*	0.101*	0.100*	0.103*		
	(0.060)	(0.057)	(0.059)	(0.059)	(0.059)	(0.062)		
Education >13 years	0.227***	0.213***	0.233***	0.248***	0.219***	0.221***		
	(0.072)	(0.069)	(0.073)	(0.072)	(0.072)	(0.072)		
R ²	0.219	0.224	0.218	0.224	0.217	0.216		

Table 1: Earnings: single treatment OLS vs matching

Matching Estimator: Average Treatment Effect for the Treated, OLS

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ATT	-0.062	-0.148***	-0.037	-0.263***	0.060	-0.058*
	(0.045)	(0.041)	(0.061)	(0.084)	(0.070)	(0.034)
Mean Bias Before	20.075	13.748	35.955	48.824	17.212	13.082
Mean Bias After	3.922	3.403	7.251	13.499	7.315	2.998

N=1,228. *p <0.1, **p <0.05, ***p <0.01. Additional controls included.

Effect of treatment on initial pensions: single treatment in OLS and matching

Table 2: Initial pensions before 1992: single treatment OLS vs matching

	E	ver	Ever Job	Ev	er Job Los	s
		Dispossessed	Discr.	Persecution		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Single Treatment Estin	nates, OLS					
Treatment	-0.115	-0.074	-0.024	-0.417***	-0.237	-0.206**
	(0.090)	(0.087)	(0.123)	(0.099)	(0.151)	(0.098)
Female	-0.285***	-0.278***	-0.278***	-0.296***	-0.282***	-0.257***
	(0.064)	(0.064)	(0.063)	(0.064)	(0.065)	(0.066)
Education 10-13 years	0.055	0.048	0.059	0.057	0.067	0.080
	(0.069)	(0.066)	(0.069)	(0.068)	(0.068)	(0.071)
Education >13 years	-0.030	-0.035	-0.015	0.002	-0.014	0.018
	(0.097)	(0.099)	(0.094)	(0.090)	(0.097)	(0.089)
R ²	0.185	0.182	0.178	0.194	0.192	0.198
Matching Estimator: A	verage Treat	tment Effect fo	r the Treate	ed, OLS		
ATT	-0.157*	-0.144	-0.237***	-0.379**	-0.177	-0.128
	(0.081)	(0.092)	(0.081)	(0.154)	(0.153)	(0.096)
Mean Bias Before	20.709	21.334	32.395	44.198	29.452	21.068
Mean Bias After	5.127	5.078	11.310	17.099	12.180	11.267

N=192. *p <0.1, **p <0.05, ***p <0.01. Additional controls included.

Effect of treatment on 2006 pensions: single treatment in OLS and matching

	E	ver	Ever Job	Ev	er Job Los	s
	Persecuted	Dispossessed	Discr.	Persecution	n Laid Off I	Displaced
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Single Treatment Estin	nates, OLS					
Treatment	-0.074	-0.057	-0.071	-0.136	0.027	-0.005
	(0.059)	(0.051)	(0.050)	(0.084)	(0.070)	(0.044)
Female	-0.138***	-0.133***	-0.135***	-0.139***	-0.132***	-0.132***
	(0.031)	(0.030)	(0.030)	(0.030)	(0.030)	(0.030)
Education 10-13 years	-0.031	-0.037	-0.031	-0.029	-0.029	-0.028
-	(0.030)	(0.031)	(0.030)	(0.030)	(0.030)	(0.030)
Education >13 years	0.028	0.022	0.037	0.044	0.038	0.039
-	(0.045)	(0.046)	(0.047)	(0.047)	(0.047)	(0.046)
R ²	0.324	0.320	0.315	0.317	0.308	0.307
Matching Estimator: A	verage Treat	tment Effect fo	r the Treate	ed, OLS		

Table 3: Pensions in 2006: single treatment OLS vs matching

ATT	-0.092**	-0.086**	-0.112	-0.005	0.112**	0.067*
	(0.036)	(0.038)	(0.076)	(0.056)	(0.052)	(0.039)
Mean Bias Before	20.709	21.334	32.395	44.198	29.452	21.068
Mean Bias After	5.127	5.078	11.310	17.099	12.180	11.267

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Effect of treatment on wages: role of unobservable heterogeneity

Table 4: Earnings: the role of	of unobservables
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	Ever PersecutedDispossessed		Ever Job Discr.	Ever Job Loss PersecutionLaid OffDisp			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Selection on unobservables (Altonji et al. (2005)), OLS							
$[\hat{E}(X'\hat{\gamma} T=1)-\hat{E}(X'\hat{\gamma} T=0)]/\widehat{Var}(X'\hat{\gamma})$) 1.536	0.536	2.948	3.611	-0.615	-1.000	
$\widehat{Var}(X'\hat{\gamma})$	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060	
$\widehat{Var}(\hat{\varepsilon})$	0.232	0.232	0.232	0.232	0.232	0.232	
$E(\varepsilon T = 1) - E(\varepsilon T = 0)$	0.357	0.125	0.685	0.839	-0.143	-0.233	
$Cov(arepsilon, ilde{T})/Var(ilde{T})$	-0.044	-0.159	-0.017	-0.192	0.057	-0.053	
$\hat{lpha}/bias$ ratio	2.045	0.860	5.493	1.383	-0.865	-0.435	

N=1,228. **p* <0.1, ***p* <0.05, ****p* <0.01.

• $\hat{\alpha}$ /bias ratio of: 2.045 (ever persecuted) or 1.383 (job loss persecution) implies that normalized shift in distribution of unobservables would have to be 2 times (1.4 times) as large as shift in observables to explain away effects of persecution estimated by OLS.

Effect of treatment on pensions: role of unobservable heterogeneity

	Ever PersecutedDispossessed		Ever Job Discr.	Ever Job Loss PersecutionLaid OffDispla			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Selection on u	Selection on unobservables (Altonji et al. (2005)), OLS						
Initial pensions $\hat{lpha}/bias$ ratio	9: 0.770	0.588	0.286	1.118	0.942	0.911	
2006 pensions $\hat{\alpha}/bias$ ratio	:: 0.668	0.667	0.701	1.225	0.287	-0.104	

Table 5: Pensions: the role of unobservables

N=192. **p* <0.1, ***p* <0.05, ****p* <0.01.

α̂/bias ratio for pensions smaller than for earnings (but higher than 1 for job loss due to persecution for initial pensions).